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Dear Friend,

Like you, I am always obliged to write in haste. But even your flying epistles are always most welcome; and I shall expect you to be duly grateful for mine, though they are purely on business.

In the first place, I would be glad to know what Garrison & the chass. friends would like to have me do about Kosapp's Liberator. It would not of course be proper for the National Organ to enter into sectional controversies; but is it necessary, otherwise, to meddle with the subject at all?

I had sent me from the Fair an autograph of Clarkson. As I had one before, I am desirous to exchange it for one of father Matthew. Can you help me in this matter? If you will send me Matthew's, I will return Clarkson's; otherwise, I would like to keep it, in hopes

of effecting a change elsewhere.

Did the autograph of Geo. Fox sell? If it did not, what do you expect to get for it?

I smiled at your hope that I should "meet Lord Mopett," for I thought you must be little aware what an obscure and altogether unnoticed existence I lead here.

I never in my whole life was so lonely. I literally see nobody but Isaac Hopper's and J.S. Gibbons' families.

I felt vexed enough to "lean up against a post and damn everybody," to think there was not one in all Boston, who would write a pretty, picturesque account of the Fair for the Standard. I think it was a bunioning shame. I didn't have my money's worth for blowing the trumpet before-hand - that I didn't. Blow your trumpet yourself, next time.

Did the Anti Slavery Gem

sell, or not? I am curious to know.

I wish Ann or Caroline would send me that No. of Edin. Review, about the two young men in a Scotch tavern, who first conceived the idea of Missions, from arguing the text, "Go preach the Gospel to every creature." I will see that it is safely returned; or they may extract as much as relates to those two young men and missions.

It is impossible for me to be at your meeting. I wish I could. I received the enclosed autographs from E. Sturge, via Boston, after the Fair, to which they were a donation.

I rejoice to hear so favorable accounts of your good husband. I hope he will not be too venturesome.

In great haste, and true friendship,

Mrs Lockl. C.

Lydia Maria Child

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C. H. W. Chapman.

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